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## **AMENDMENT E UNDER RULE 111**

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In response to the Examiner's Action mailed on January 26, 2005, applicant requests that the application be amended as follows:

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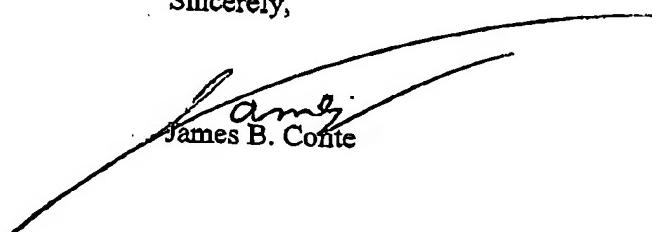
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I spoke with Brenda this morning of the Office of Finance - Deposit Account Branch. (I called 703.305.4631 and pressed "5" regarding refund inquiry and reached Brenda.) She looked into the matter and found that there was a mistake. The charge pertains to another Deposit Account number. Brenda asked me to fax a letter to obtain a refund.

Please replenish Menard's Deposit Account \$790.00. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Caldwell A. Camero  
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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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